Approximately 1200 selected youth from the border villages are undergoing training in various Youth Camps at Theh Kanjla (District Kapurthala) and Nabha (District Patiala). So far, 313 youth have been selected by various Government/ Semi-Government jobs.

Rise in cement prices

265. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the last two months cement prices have registered steep hike throughout the country; and

(b) the steps Government have taken to check the recent price rise in cement and make it easily available to consumers at reasonable prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) There has been a marginal increase in cement price during the last two months.

(b) It is the continuous endeavour of the Government to maximise cement production and ensure its availability to the consumers at reasonable price. Government is closely monitoring the availability of coal, wagons and other infrastructural support to the cement industry and remedial action is taken wherever necessary.

Schemes for increasing the installed capacity of cement are being liberally approved. The State Governments have been advised to keep a close watch on the dealers so that they do not indulge in profiteering at retail level.

Recommendations of Ishwari Prasad Committee Report

266. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the Ishwari Prasad Committee Report on working journalists;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when a decision is likely to be taken on the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN): (a) The Expert Committee for Newspaper Employees under the Chairmanship of Shri Ishwari Prasad submitted its report to the Government on 15th January, 1991.

(b) The recommendations of the Committee, *inter-alia*, deal with matters concerning safety, health and hygiene as also medical allowance, leave travel concession and overtime allowance in respect of newspaper employees.

(c) To expeditiously process the recommendations in the report of the Expert Committee, an Empowered Committee has since been constituted by the Government.

Hiatus between policies and practice in the Indian Corporate Sector

267. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken note of the recent study conducted by the Administrative Staff College, Hyderabad according to which scientific management principles mean little to Indian Managers, resulting in a distinct hiatus between professed policies and the practice in the Indian corporate sector;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps are being taken to inject Indian ethos in managements in the light of the above study.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) to (c) Presumably the Hon'ble Member has referred to the study on Indian Management conducted by two faculty Members of Administrative Staff College of India which was taken up on their own initiative. The study covers management practices in